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In re the Application of: **Kenji KUBOMURA et al.**

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For: **IRON OXIDE WHISKER OF HIGH ASPECT RATIO, TITANIUM  
OXIDE WHISKER OF HIGH ASPECT RATIO, STRUCTURE  
CONTAINING THESE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THEM**

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